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Water Board To Tour Salmon Habitat Projects When It Meets In Stanley

This week the Idaho Water Resource Board will hold it's regularly scheduled meeting on Friday, Sept. 7, 2007 beginning at 8:30 a.m. The meeting will be held at the Community Building in Stanley, Idaho.

A work session will be held the previous day on Thursday Sept. 6th. As part of the work session the Board will take a field trip to tour salmon habitat projects that the Board has been involved in as part of an effort to keep water in streams for threatened and endangered fish. The projects that will be toured are located at Pole Creek, Beaver Creek, and Fourth of July Creek.

Items on the agenda for the Board's meeting on Friday include:

- A status report on the Board's long term river basin planning schedule and an update on the ESPA Comprehensive Aquifer Management Plan.
- A discussion of the Wood River Legacy Project in which the Board is responsible to appoint an advisory committee and begin work toward the establishment of minimum stream flows.
- A status report on the Dworshak Hydropower Project.
- A request for loan funds by the Meander Point Subdivision and grant requests from East Lizard Butte Water Corporation, Elm-Crest Water Users Association, and Hampton Homes Homeowner Association.
- An update on the W-Canal recharge project near Wendell, Idaho.

The Board will hold a work session on Thursday Sept. 6th, which will include among other topics:

- An update on the Northwest Power and Conservation Council.
- Reviews of loan requests and grant requests as part of the IWRB financial program.
- A discussion concerning Northern Idaho minimum stream flows.
- A field trip to tour salmon habitat projects in the Stanley area.

The complete agenda is posted on the IDWR website: www.idwr.idaho.gov